

MARCH 2003

GOODYEAR CITYREPORT

**PRIMARY
ELECTION
MARCH 11, 2003**



POLLING PLACES

0346 Goodyear

Goodyear Community Center
420 E. Loma Linda Blvd.

0673 Palm Valley

Palm Valley Elementary School
Media Center
2801 N. 135th Ave.

0691 PebbleCreek

PebbleCreek
Arts and Craft Center
3657 N. Clubhouse Dr.

0708 Perryville

Wildflower Ranch Elementary
School - Library
325 S. Wildflower Dr.

0735 Rainbow Valley

Estrella Foothills High School
Gymnasium
13033 S. Estrella Parkway

On the Ballot:

Mayoral Candidates

James M. Cavanaugh
Seth Kanter

Council Candidates

(3 to be selected)

Claudia M. Anderson
Rob Antoniak
Andrea J. Jasaitis
Fred Scott
Matthew A. Short
Richard A. Sousa

Prop 402

City seeks approval to
permanently adjust its
1979-80 base
expenditure limitation.

City Manager Stephen Cleveland Honored with Highest State Award

The Arizona City/County Management Association (ACMA) named Goodyear City Manager Stephen Cleveland as the 2003 recipient of its John J. DeBolske Professional Excellence award at its January Winter Conference. This award, named after John J. "Jack" DeBolske who worked on behalf of cities during his 40-year tenure as executive Director of the League of Arizona Cities and Towns, represents the highest honor awarded by ACMA. It recognizes the many accomplishments and contributions the recipient has made.



Cleveland (right) is shown being congratulated by Jack DeBolske, for whom the award is named.

Cleveland, who has 19 years in local government management with the last 13 in Goodyear, was nominated by fellow city administrator, Peoria City Manager Terry Ellis. Ellis stated, "I thought Stephen Cleveland deserved this award because he has proven himself an exemplary leader among statewide public executives. He has been a coalition builder who has earned the respect and confidence of his peers."

According to Cleveland, "Of all the awards I have won during my career, I think this is the most meaningful because it has been given to me by other city and county managers."

Goodyear Vice Mayor Seth Kanter adds,

"The Goodyear City Council and City employees are all very proud that Stephen has been honored with this award. He has always been a man of vision who has led our city smoothly through its formative years and positioned Goodyear for the tremendous growth and progress that lies ahead as our city matures."

Citizen Input Wanted!

Planning & Zoning Commission Holds First General Plan Update Hearing

**April 2 - 7 p.m.
Goodyear Justice Facility
986 S. Litchfield Road**

On April 2, after the mandatory 60-day review process for the City's updated Draft General Plan, the Goodyear Planning and Zoning Commission will hold the first of a series of public hearings. Please plan to attend. Public input is welcome. For information, call (623) 932-3005.



Vice Mayor Seth Kanter

A MESSAGE FROM THE VICE MAYOR

After two years of hard work on the part of City staff, Goodyear received great news recently that will have long-term benefits to the city's future economy.

Our Phoenix-Goodyear Airport has received a "military reuse" designation that provides any aerospace-related company locating on airport property an 80 percent property tax reduction. It also allows for corporate income tax credits based on the number of employees.

This military reuse designation was originally passed by the state legislature to create economic incentives for Williams Air Force Base after it was closed. Goodyear was successful in getting that legislation amended to apply to the Phoenix-Goodyear Airport because it, too, is a former U.S. Naval Air Station that was built in 1943 and ultimately closed in the 1950s.

Before leaving office, former Gov. Jane Hull signed a bill giving Goodyear's airport a five-year designation for military reuse that will be valuable in stimulating economic growth around the facility. This is especially important because the airport will serve as the major anchor for a planned 10-square-mile employment corridor extending from



McDowell Rd. to Southern Ave., between Litchfield Rd. and Estrella Parkway.

With this airpark serving as a catalyst to job growth and the I-10 corridor, MC 85 and the railroad providing excellent transportation connections to the employment corridor, Goodyear will be in a position to maintain our excellent job-to-population ratio as our city continues to grow.

To help us set the stage for the future of this employment corridor, we have partnered with Arizona State University's Senior Planning Studio to produce a comprehensive plan for this important 6,000-acre area. A key component to this plan is citizen and stakeholder input. For that reason, Goodyear and ASU recently hosted a meeting with the public as well as meetings with corridor landowners, real estate firms and developers.

I attended the citizen meeting and would like to thank the many residents who came and worked hard contributing fantastic ideas on how best to develop this job corridor. ASU will summarize the meetings and report on them at the next public meeting to be held April 10th.

I hope even more of you will come to that meeting to give input that will help guide the City Council in the future development of a unique and competitive employment corridor.


Seth Kanter



Goodyear City Council (L to R): Sue Linney, Dick Sousa, Vice Mayor Seth Kanter, Ken Porter, Jim Cavanaugh, and Frank Cavalier.

City Council Business

Major Action on Feb. 10, 2003

Council passed a resolution authorizing the City to enter into a "Settlement and Release Agreement" with Duncan Family Farms pertaining to property generally located at the southwest corner of Indian School Road and Cotton Lane on the terms and conditions provided.

Council Calendar

All Council meetings and work sessions are held at the Goodyear Justice Facility at 986 S. Litchfield Rd.

Monday, March 10
City Council Meeting
CANCELLED

Monday, March 17
6 PM
Special Council Meeting

Monday, March 24
6 PM
City Council Meeting

WHO'S BEEN PAINTING YOUR SIDEWALK?

Many residents call the City to ask about the paint markings on sidewalks, streets or even the grass (within City easements) in their yard. The markings are called Utility Markings, or Blue Stake Markings. Arizona Blue Stake is a one-call notification system by underground facility owners to assist excavators.

It is a statutory requirement for homeowners to notify underground facility owners prior to excavation.

Why paint the ground?

There are many reasons, some of which are:

- Arizona's Damage Prevention Laws, OSHA and ACC Rules require all utility owners to clearly mark any utility that may conflict with any ground excavation.
- Incident damage to utilities can cause injury to anyone near the excavation.
- Clearly marking the utility *before* excavation reduces interruption of utility services to customers.

Utility owners will only mark what they own and maintain, typically this means they will only mark to their meter. Anything beyond the meter is customer owned and maintained, and may not be marked by the utility company.



What do the different colors mean?

Utility companies are required to use the International Color Coding system for identifying underground lines:

- **Safety Red** - Electric Power Distribution and Transmission
- **High Visibility Safety Yellow** - Gas distribution and transmission, oil product distribution and transmission; dangerous materials, product lines
- **Alert Orange** - Telephone and telegraph system; cable television safety
- **Alert Orange** - Fiber optics communication lines (only the letter "F" in safety)
- **Safety Green** - Sanitary sewer systems
- **Purple** - Reclaimed water

So, if you have utility markings near your home, please understand that they are necessary and are there because *it's the law*. The good news is the marking material will eventually wear off.

Mark Your Calendar!
**Household Hazardous
Waste Collection Day will
be Sat. April 12
at the Goodyear
City Hall parking lot
from 8 a.m. to noon.**

"Tour d'Estrella" Bike Ride

**Saturday,
March 15
9 a.m.**

Routes: 3.4 or 6.8 miles



Bike ride starts and ends at Estrella Mountain Ranch North Lake parking lot. Refreshments provided. For more information, call (623) 882-7531.

Come for fun, family and fitness!

Park Appreciation Day

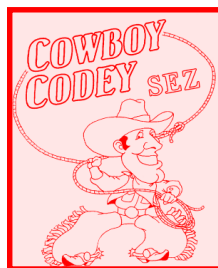
Join us on April 5, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Palm Valley Park for a hands-on landscaping and tree planting workshop. There's fun, food, games and volleyball for everyone! For information, call (623) 882-7531.

**Estrella Parkway
improvements from
Yuma Rd. to McDowell Rd.
to begin in April 2003!**

More Road Updates

Work continues on adding a dual left turn lane southbound on Litchfield Road to enter eastbound I-10. Night work has ended and we can expect northbound traffic on Litchfield Park to be restricted to one lane at times.

McDowell Rd. between Estrella Parkway and Bullard Ave. will remain closed for at least two weeks as the road is rebuilt due to flood damage.



Home Alarm Systems Require a Permit!

Many homeowners are not aware they need to obtain a permit for their home alarm system within 30 days of its installation and that it needs to be renewed every year. A permit is good only from January 1 to December 31.

The permit can be obtained at the Police Department. Initial alarm permit fees are: \$25 for Panic & Burglar, \$25 for Fire or \$50 for both. If you buy mid-year, the fee is not prorated. The permit must be renewed annually. If you renew within 30 days before it expires on Dec. 31, the fee is \$10. If you renew within 30 days after expiration, the fee goes up to \$20. After 30 days, you can no longer renew; you must reapply for a permit.

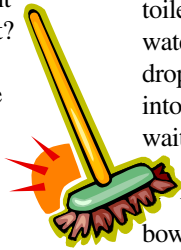
If you do not obtain a permit or do not renew one and public safety is dispatched, it will cost you \$250 for a false burglar alarm and \$500 for a false robbery/panic alarm or fire alarm.

Therefore, it really pays to get a permit!!

MAKE IT A CLEAN SWEEP THIS SPRING

With another dry Arizona winter behind us, it's time to do some spring cleaning. Why not do the environment and yourself a favor while you're at it? Spring clean your appliances and change some of the ways you may be used to cleaning with water!

- Get out the broom and sweep walks and driveways rather than spraying with water. When not in use, turn off your hose while washing cars or watering plants.
- Before the heat sets in, if you have an evaporative cooler, be sure it is functioning properly. Nearly half of the water use in your home during summer months is typically used on evaporative cooling. Keep your water bill under control and help cut back on wasted water by channeling the water from your evaporative cooler to trees and bushes.



- Check your toilet for leaks and make sure it's not running. The toilet can be the home's worst water waster. To check for leaks, drop a few drops of food coloring into the water in the tank, then wait, without flushing, for a least ten minutes. If the colored water seeps into the toilet bowl, you have a leak. Most leaks can be repaired easily and inexpensively.
- Run only full loads in your dishwasher and washing machine. Also, scrape your dishes rather than using the pre-wash cycle in the dishwasher.

Remember to spring clean your appliances along with your home this year and put a stop to water waste.

Saving water is everyone's business.

JOB OPENINGS

Visit the City of Goodyear Web site at www.ci.goodyear.az.us or call the City's 24-hour hotline, (623)932-1716, for job listings. Goodyear accepts applications only for open positions. The Human Resource Office is located at 190 N. Litchfield Road. Phone (623) 882-7752. TTY (623) 932-6500. EEO/M/F/H/D.

YOUR OPINION COUNTS!

We want your ideas on how we may better serve you. Just fill out this form and return it with your garbage collection bill or mail it to Linda Dillard, Community Advocate, Citizen's CitySource Office, 190 N. Litchfield Road, P.O. Box 5100, Goodyear, AZ 85338, or E-mail to Ldillard@ci.goodyear.az.us.

Comments (please print): _____

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____



**Proud past.
Vibrant future!**

City Telephone Numbers

24-Hour City Hotline	(623) 932-1716
Building Safety	(623) 932-3004
City Clerk	(623) 882-7830
City Court	(623) 932-3013
City Hall	(623) 932-3910
City Manager	(623) 882-7051
CitySource Office	(623) 882-7808
Code Compliance	(623) 882-7815
Community Advocate	(623) 882-7800
Crisis Service Line	(623) 882-7677
Dead Animal Removal	(602) 561-5704
Engineering	(623) 882-7979
Garbage/Trash/Recycling	(623) 932-1637
Economic Development	(623) 932-3025
Fire Department	(623) 932-2300
Mayor & City Council	(623) 882-7776
Neighborhood Programs	(623) 882-7808
Parks/Pools/Recreation	(623) 932-1637
Planning & Zoning	(623) 932-3005
Police Department	(623) 932-1220
Streets/Transportation	(623) 932-1637
Utility Hook-Up/ Bill Payment	(623) 932-3015
Water Quality/Pressure	(623) 932-1637

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